

CONFEREES GIVE U.S. VERSION OF MEXICO'S PLIGHT

Americans Present to Envoys Official Reports on Internal Conditions.

LEGALISTA REVOLUTION FAST GAINING GROUND

Various Factions Uniting—No Formal Demand for Troops' Withdrawal

New London, Conn., Sept. 21.—Only one session of the Mexican conference was held yesterday, and that was devoted to a presentation by the American commissioners of the picture of Mexico as revealed by the reports in the possession of the State and War Departments. Hitherto, when the international conditions of Mexico have been considered, the information was presented by the Mexican commissioners in reply to questions put by Secretary Lane, Judge Gray and Mr. Mott.

The Carranza delegates had told of the great progress made since the First Chief was recognized and had painted the outlook in rosy colors, but on comparison with reports to which the American commissioners felt constrained to attach credence, a wide discrepancy was found to exist.

There was no session of the conference yesterday morning, as the Mexican delegates were awaiting fuller information concerning the Chihuahua raid and also further instructions from Ambassador De la Huerta.

Question Reports Facts The report presented by the American Commissioners dealt with starvation, railroad conditions, the typhus epidemic, the various decrees issued by State Governors, the protection of life and property, etc. Each report was read aloud and in a number of cases the Mexican Commissioners took issue with the statements of fact and offered their views.

It is realized here that there can be no question of the withdrawal of the American forces until peace is re-established in Northern Mexico and Carranza has control of the border. It can be stated authoritatively that as yet no direct demand for the withdrawal of the troops has been presented by the Mexican Commissioners. They have contented themselves with pointing out that the border question involving the withdrawal of the United States forces was according to their instructions to be primarily discussed.

Information in possession of the State Department shows that for months a strong movement against Carranza known as the Legalista revolution, has been Mexican. Commissioners took issue with the statements of fact and offered their views.

It has the support of Estrada Cabrera, president of Guatemala, and of foreigners having large interests in Mexico, and is looked upon with favor by the Catholic church and by the strong German element which are bitterly opposed to Carranza. The plan of the Legalistas was not to make any overt move until after the presidential election in the United States, but it is felt that if Villa is not speedily suppressed, the Legalistas will take advantage of his success and use him for their own ends.

Counselor Polk of the State Department, on his way from Maine, was here yesterday, but did not attend the conference. He had a long talk with the American commissioners afterward and left last night for New York.

WOODEN TROLLEY POLES WILL REMAIN AS SET ON NOBLE AVENUE LINES

Wooden trolley poles will remain in Noble avenue. Recently, H. M. Osborn, James H. Emmons and other members of the Ninth and Tenth Districts' Improvement association applied to the public utilities commission to have iron poles placed in the street. A hearing on the matter was set for Tuesday by the commission but as none of the members of the improvement association appeared the commission dismissed the petition without action. Since the Connecticut Co. has its wooden poles placed, the members of the association were of the opinion it would be useless to go to Hartford to protest hence no one appeared.

FIRE IN MATTRESS

Fire, which started in a mattress during the absence of the occupant of the house, Mrs. James Simonelli, yesterday afternoon resulted in a damage of \$30, at 256 Lexington avenue. The cause of the fire is unknown.

BALDWIN WILL COMPLETE JOB FOR EDDYSTONE

Locomotive Company Takes Over \$10,000,000 Munitions Contract.

New York, Sept. 21.—Another chapter in the tangled affairs of the Eddystone Munitions Co. and munition companies controlled by the same interests in the filling of large shrapnel and cartridge contracts for the Russian and British governments was told yesterday in an announcement that arrangements have been completed by the Baldwin Locomotive Works to take over the \$10,000,000 shrapnel contract made by the Eddystone with the Russian government. These contracts were guaranteed by the British government.

The Eddystone Munitions Co. was formed several months ago by interests identified with the Baldwin Locomotive Co. and the Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Co. The financial difficulties of the latter company have been watched with interest for the last few months by Wall street and war order circles, and with the difficulties of the Eddystone Munitions Co. are looked upon as having formed a principal basis for decision by banking interests that have been aiding the companies to form a new munitions company, which it is understood, will take a large portion of new orders which might have gone to either of these companies.

When the Eddystone Munitions Co. was formed it obtained a contract from the Russian government for the manufacture of \$40,000,000 of shrapnel. The company was formed with a nominal capital of \$50,000 by a strong group of bankers, who executed a composite bond for \$10,000,000 in proportion to their holdings of stock and who obligated themselves to furnish funds to complete the contract. Signatures on the bond are understood to have been guaranteed by J. P. Morgan & Co.

Trouble was experienced in the execution of the contract right from the start. Numerous changes were made in the specifications and delay followed delay. Still more trouble was had with inspections. When Russia asked for further bonds to cover the completion of the contract the bankers claimed the contract had already been broken by Russia and that they did not care to go through with it. The Russian government thereupon suggested it might turn these contracts over to the Baldwin Locomotive Works for completion. To this the Eddystone stockholders agreed.

The arrangement just made provides that the Eddystone Munitions Co. stockholders get back all the money they had so far advanced, with interest, and are also relieved of their obligations under the \$10,000,000 bond. It is understood the original contract with the Eddystone company called for a percentage profit of 12 per cent. on the gross contract, and it is assumed the Baldwin company takes over the business at about the same figures.

Specials for Friday and Saturday

Fresh sea food for Friday: Fresh mackerel, butterfish, fresh shore haddock, flatfish, sea bass, weakfish, steak pollock, steak salmon, steak codfish, steak tilapia, Long Island scallops, steamed, rouffé clams in shell, rock bass, fresh herring, small bluefish, whole pollock, smelts, opened oysters, opened long clams, green bluefish, prime soft shell crabs, large eels, large lobsters, white halibut. Meat specials for Friday and Saturday: Legs of genuine spring lamb, legs of young mutton, pork loins, fresh shoulders, fresh hams, hocks, heads, feet, tails, ribs, bones, leaf lard, home made sausage meat, all the different brands in packages, good chuck rib roasts of beef. Native dressed veal: Legs and loins to roast, rumps and shoulders to stuff and bake, choice pot pie pieces. Smoked and corned beef: Plate corned beef, smoked shoulders, Dixie bacon, Diamond C Hams, Squires' bacon, Swift's premium hams. Poultry: Stewing fowl, choice fowl, native dressed broilers, fresh killed ducks, New York broilers, turkeys, roasting chickens, native squab, guinea hens, squab guinea. Fruit department: Fancy yellow Elberta peaches, Damson plums for canning. Bridgeport Public Market and Branch, State and Bank streets and East Main street. Phones.—Adv.

CYCLIST HIT BY AUTO

Ernest Hart, of 355 Lafayette St., who, while riding a bicycle was struck by the automobile of Adelard Allaire, of 723 Howard avenue, at State and Main streets, last evening, suffered no injuries and was paid \$4 on the spot by Allaire, which settled the incident.

The Norwegian Premier stated today in an interview that Norway and Sweden secretly agreed in August, 1914, not to enter the war on opposite sides. No agreement was reached between Norway and Denmark.

ADAMS LEADS IN BALLOTING FOR CHIEF SURGEON

Twelve Necessary for Choice, He Gets 10—Others Likely to Withdraw.

(Special to The Farmer.)

Hartford, Sept. 21.—Ballots of the officers of the Medical corps, Connecticut National Guard, for the election of chief surgeon were counted in the office of Adjutant-General George M. Cole yesterday but no choice was reached. Twelve votes are necessary for a choice. Major Frederic J. Adams of Bridgeport, Connecticut Coast Artillery corps, was high man with 10. Twenty-three ballots were received.

Major Edward Schulze, assistant to the adjutant-general, said he would issue special orders for another ballot. Four officers of the Medical corps, in addition to Major Adams, had been nominated for the office. They were Major Paul Waterman of the First Connecticut Infantry, Capt. Otto G. Friedman of the Signal corps, and Major John G. Hugo of the Second Infantry, each of whom received four votes, and Capt. Edmund Russell of the Second Infantry, who received one vote. Major Schulze and Capt. John Hickey, inspector-general, counted the ballots.

The vacancy was created by the transfer of Major Edward S. Moulton of the Medical corps to command the First Connecticut Field Hospital company. With the exception of Major Adams, all the nominated officers are now at the border.

Major Adams is now at Niantic, where the Yale batteries that were back from Tobyhanna, Pa., are encamped. Major Moulton was chosen chief surgeon about a year ago. At that time Major Adams, who is the senior of the Medical corps in point of service, was also a candidate. He withdrew after the first ballot, however, thus ensuring the choice of Major Moulton. It is believed on the next ballot the others will withdraw in favor of Major Adams.

MORRIS WHEELER ESTATE \$21,500

The inventory of the estate of Morris Wheeler shows real estate appraised at \$21,500. The appraisers were William A. Redden, Samuel Zimmerman and Ralph T. Boer. The inventory was filed in the probate court yesterday. The inventory places the house where the deceased lived at Iranistan avenue and Olive street at \$6,000; real estate in Harrah avenue, \$12,000; and a third place in Jackson avenue at \$3,500. Martha W. Crowley is administratrix of the estate.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

A pleasant time was spent Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Catherine Harnan. Games, music and dancing were enjoyed throughout the entire evening. Solos were sung by George Scanlon and Arthur Padlock. Those present were the Misses Anna Tierney, Gertrude Neary, Catherine Hassett, Kitty Riley, Rosanna Morse, Rita Rivet, Julia and Catherine Harnan and William Sullivan, William Denny, John Padock, Eric Ramm, George Eash, George Scanlon and Arthur Padlock. A luncheon was served.

A birthday party was held last evening at the home of John D. Smarto, 33 South avenue, in his honor. He reached his 86th year yesterday. He was the recipient of several gifts.

Miss Marion Gibney, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Virgil P. Gibney, was the guest of honor at a luncheon given yesterday at the Old Academy Tea room in Fairfield by Mrs. John Reayburn. Miss Gibney's engagement to Dr. D. C. Patterson was recently announced.

Next Thursday afternoon will conclude the season at the Tea Time Tavern in Greenfield Hill where the members of the Thimble club have been so successful in raising funds for their charitable work this summer. The Tavern has become quite a social center on Thursdays and will be greatly missed when it is closed. Mrs. John Fleide and Miss Barbara Waldo were the hostesses this afternoon at the Tavern.

McGEACHIE—CORBIN

Miss Ruby Corbin of 37 Atlantic street and Mr. John M. McGeachie of 15 Cottage place were married yesterday morning in Sacred Heart church by Rev. Richard L. Moore. L. D. Miss Corbin was attended by Mr. McGeachie's sister, Mrs. J. Metzger. Ernest Teabout was best man. A wedding breakfast was served at the Stratfield following the ceremony and the young couple left later in the morning on a wedding trip to New York and Albany. Mrs. McGeachie traveled in a suit of blue broadcloth with a hat to match.

BULLOCK—PRICE

Miss Nellie B. Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Price of 291 Vine street and Mr. Frank Bullock, formerly of Hednesford, Eng., but now of this city were married at St. George's Episcopal church at 6 o'clock last evening. Rev. Henry E. Kelley, rector of the church officiated at the ceremony. The bride was attired in a gown of white tulle and Georgette crepe and a long veil which fell in a train. Mrs. Henry E. Kelly, wife of Rev. Mr. Kelley, was matron of honor and her gown was of turquoise blue with tulle veillings. Miss Lillian French and Miss Florence Turton were bridesmaids, their costumes being of pink crepe de meter. Miss Gertrude Price, a small sister of the bride, who was flower girl, wore pale blue chiffon. The bride's attendants all carried pink roses.

George Cotterill of Philadelphia, Pa., was best man and Edward W. Price and George Stadler, ushers. Chester Harrison officiated at the organ playing the wedding marches and a program of music during the ceremony. The church was filled with friends of Miss Price who is a very popular young woman. She has been organist at St. George's church for some time. Following a wedding trip of about two weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Bullock will reside at 1288 North avenue.

BOSTON TO POSTPONE OPENING OF SCHOOLS

Boston, Sept. 21.—The probability of further delay in opening the public schools of this city because of the prevalence of infantile paralysis was announced today. School department officials said that a conference with health authorities would be held tomorrow preliminary to making formal announcement of October 2 as the date for re-opening. The date already had been changed from Sept. 11 to Sept. 25.

NEW COLUMBIA RECORDS.

One of the most versatile prima donnas in the world has been added to the Columbia list of exclusive artists. She is Miss Lucy Gates, of Utah. Not only is this young woman the possessor of a coloratura soprano of unusual range and power, but her clever management of her own company has proved her an impresario of ability.

Ibsen's "Solveig's Song," set to the intricate measures of a Grieg melody, has been chosen as one of Miss Gates' initial records. The young prima donna handles the rousades of haunting appeal and thrilling notes, strung on single syllables, with astonishing ease.

For the bachelor who is about to be a benedict, Columbia has made a recording of "Bachelor Days." The Peerless Quartet sings this tuneful farewell to bachelor days in most cheerful fashion. Of course, it is hard to judge whether they are glad they are going or glad they went.

Despite its bachelor tendencies, this record suggests a pleasant entertainment for the evening at home.

There are Irish, Hawaiian and even Japanese dances, but the real dance success of the season hails from Chicago. It bears the very American title of "Walkin' the Dog." Lucile Cavanagh walked it to fame in a night. And now the dancing pupils is "doing it."

Columbia's new record, a fox trot of the same title, "Walkin' the Dog," comes at a most opportune time—when the would-be adept treats the family to some interesting "try outs."

The melody is a dashing one, played by the ever-successful rince's Band. No dog of pedigree would be walked with such music in the air.

It is a treat to hear an old American slave-day song sung by an American operatic baritone of international fame.

And that pleasure is realized in Columbia's recording of "Uncle Ned," an old-time gem of a darkey song. Graham Marr, a recent addition to the exclusive Columbia galaxy, fresh from operatic conquests in Europe and America, is the singer.

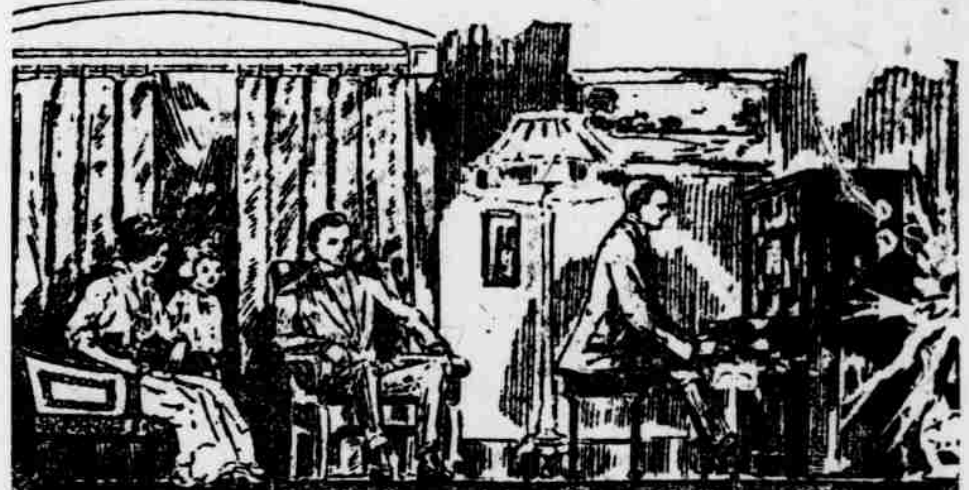
Mr. Marr's voice is one of resonance, power and beauty, and he is a character artist as well. His recital of the quaint story of Uncle Ned is replete with pathos and humor.

Since interpretation dances are in vogue we find a pleasing suggestion in Columbia's recording of "Rosemary Waltzes."

"Rosemary," for remembrance, is a dance theme of many possibilities. And the charming melody and enticing rhythm of the waltz, played by Prince's Band, are motion inspirations in themselves.

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